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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, MPOL, SHUM, CH
SUBJ: POSTER ATTACKS "BACK-DOOR" PRACTICES IN THE PLA

REF: A. PEKING 2244; B. PEKING 2236

1. DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF JULY 28, A POSTER CRITICAL OF IRREGULAR PLA INDUCTION PRACTICES APPEARED ON THE FRONT OF A VACANT STORE NEXT TO THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S DAILY, THE SCENE OF MODERATE POSTER ACTIVITY IN THE PAST EIGHT DAYS (REFTELS). THE THREE PANEL POSTER IS ADDRESSED TO "LEADING CADRES" AND IS SIGNED BY A TWENTY YEAR OLD "DOWN-TO-THE-COUNTRY-SIDE INTELLECTUAL", SENT TO A COMMUNE IN HOPEI. POSSIBLY ANTICIPATING THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY ON AUGUST FIRST, THE AUTHOR PROFESSES HIS LOVE FOR THE PLA AND ITS "SACRED DUTY OF PROTECTING THE MOTHERLAND AND LIBERATING TAIWAN". HOWEVER, THE AUTHOR IS CRITICAL OF IRREGULARITIES IN THE PLA INDUCTION PROCESSES, PARTICULARLY THE PLA'S INDUCTION EXAMINATION SYSTEM. HE COMPLAINED THAT UNSPECIFIED INDIVIDUALS WERE NOT ABIDING BY THE REGULATIONS AND CALLED ON POLITICAL COMMISSARS TO CARRY OUT THE SPIRIT OF THE MAY-JUNE ALL
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ARMY POLITICAL WORK CONFERENCE.

2. ABOUT 50 PEOPLE WERE CROWDED AROUND THE POSTER ON JULY 28. WHEN SOMEONE IN THE BACK ASKED WHAT THE POSTER WAS ABOUT, A POSTER-READER IN FRONT SHOUTED OUT: "TSOU-HOU-MEN" ("GOING THROUGH THE BACK DOOR") -- A EUPHEMISM FOR USING PERSONAL CONNECTIONS TO GAIN ADVANTAGE.

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3. IN ADDITION, ANOTHER POSTER APPEARED JULY 27 ABOUT GANG
OF FOUR PROBLEMS IN SHANTUNG. WRITTEN BY A 22-YEAR OLD YOUTH
FROM A SHANTUNG COMMUNE, THE POSTER COMPLAINED THAT GANG
OF FOUR PROBLEMS IN SHANTUNG ARE STILL ACUTE EVEN THOUGH
THE GANG OF FOUR WERE REMOVED ALMOST TWO YEARS AGO. WOODCOCK

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